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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

North Phoenix Regional Council

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First North Phoenix Regional Partnership Council of the – Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board was held on January 13, 2009 at 4:30p.m. at the Washington Elementary School District Office, 4650 West Sweetwater, Glendale, AZ 85304.

Members Present:

Bill Adams, Connie Robinson, Dr. Elaine Ellis, Gina Montes, James Emch, Jenna Goad, Sally Downing, Karyn Parker, Mindy Zapata.

Absent:

Rabbi H. Rafael Goldstein.

North Phoenix, Chairman Bill Adams welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at approximately 4:43p.m.

Notes: Chairman Bill Adams excused himself at 5:45p.m. and Vice Chair Sally Downing continued the meeting at 5:45p.m. on January 13, 2009.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Ellis to approve the December 9, 2008 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Council Member Connie Robinson, motion carried.

Call to the Public

No Public Comments.

Council Members Update

Update given by Chairman Adams: 1)the Second Chair/Vice Chair is tentatively scheduled for February 5, 2009 place to be determined; 2) the annual FTF Summit will be held on April 27th and 28th with a reception on Sunday evening; 3) the Coordinators for North Phoenix and Central Phoenix are in the process of scheduling a time for the "Warm Line" strategy work group; 4) handouts were made available to all attending the meeting regarding legislative/budget "talking points" – staff identified several steps to follow up with. Specifically, they will make themselves available as needed to address particular issues, they would like "meet and greets" set up, and they would like an invitation extended to the Region's elected officials to attend an upcoming meeting.

Additional team updates: 1) Reminder that "Early Childhood Day" will be 2/11/09, and 2) JOBC has put out the hearing schedule. It was requested that Council members review this information once received and plan to follow up as needed.

Quality First! Update

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin reviewed with the Council the Quality First! Update handouts that were disbursed to the Council for their review. Clarification was given to all regarding what First Things First is doing to promote potential applicants to apply.

Valley of the Sun United Way Presentation

Tabled until a future meeting.

Review of Funding Plan Logic Models

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin went over the key questions of the Funding Plan Logic Models. Council gave their feedback on discussed topics. The planned "phasing in" for the different strategies was reviewed.

RFGA Review Process-Training

Training was completed regarding the process that will be used to review RFGA responses. The Council is continuing to identify potential review committee members. The time commitment required to complete this task was also reviewed.

Review of Strategies Across the Maricopa County Regions

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin reviewed with the Council the strategies that are similar throughout the eight (8) different regions in Maricopa County. It was discussed that, when possible, combined RFGA's will be announced. There are FTF staff workgroups in place at this time reviewing this.

<u>Discussion and Recommendation for RFGA Review Committees</u>

Council members will continue to identify potential "community experts" to include on these committees. Council determined that they would like at least one Council member on each review committee.

Establish / Discuss Future Agenda Items

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin will continue emailing the agenda topic materials and have hard copies at the meeting for the council.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, North Phoenix Vice Chair Downing adjourned the North Phoenix Regional Council Meeting at 6:34p.m. A motion made by Council Member Ellis. Seconded by Council Member Robinson, motion carried.

SUBMITTED BY:

Brenda Tomlin, North Phoenix Regional Council Coordinator

Approved:

Bill Adams, North Phoenix Regional Council Chair